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FILING DATE: September 26, 2000
INVENTION: "SUPPLY MODULE FOR FEEDING ELECTRICAL
COMPONENTS TO AN AUTOMATIC COMPONENT-MOUNTING
MACHINE"

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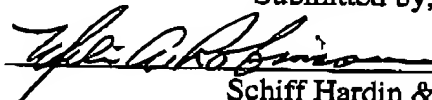
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Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during the telephone calls and note with appreciation the Examiner's efforts to bring this situation to the attention of Applicants' counsel.

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